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In re the Application of

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Sylvain ORENGA

Group Art Unit: 1645 TECH CENTER 1600/2900

Application No.: 09/486,037

Examiner: I. Fields

Filed: February 18, 2000

Docket No.: 105454

For: CULTURE AND IDENTIFICATION MEDIA SPECIFIC OF DIFFERENT SPECIES
OF CANDIDA AND ANALYSIS METHODS

AMENDMENT

Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action mailed June 5, 2001, please amend the above-identified
application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please replace claims 1, 10, 13, 14 and 21-22 as follows:

1. (Twice Amended) Culture medium for the specific identification and/or differentiation of *Candida albicans* and *Candida tropicalis* yeast, comprising a chromogenic or fluorogenic substrate, which can be hydrolyzed by an enzyme of the hexosaminidase family, wherein the medium also comprises at least one compound that selectively inhibits

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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

- Entitlement to small entity status is hereby asserted.
 Small entity status of this application has been established.

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